What is a Family-School Compact?

The Appling County Middle School compact offers ways which parents, teachers, students, and stakeholders work together to help our students succeed and connect learning at home and school.

- Shares strategies that staff, parents, and students can use.
- Focuses on learning expectations that promote higher level learning.
- Explains how parents and teachers can communicate about student progress.

Jointly Developed..

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Appling County Middle School parents, teachers/staff, students, and stakeholders all worked together in creating this School/Family Engagement Compact. Students shared their academic needs/skills. Teachers provided learning strategies to use at home. Parents helped their children review skills and strategies to improve academic success. Meetings are held each year to review and revise the compact based on the school's academic goals and student needs.

- Parents are welcome to provide feedback anytime during the school year. Please call 912-367-8630 or visit our website, acms.appling.k12.ga.us for more information.
- You may also provide feedback anytime with the District FPE coordinator by calling 912-367-8600.

Activities to Build Partnerships

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ACMS promotes parent, student, and community supporters through academic events, such as:

- Open House
- Quality Learning Time Provided in Addition to the Regular Day, Such As Before & After School Tutoring and Target Time
- Curriculum Night and Family Fun Rallies Geared To All Academic Areas, Testing, and Writing,
- Parent/Teacher Conferences
- Discovery Place at ACMS Media Center Where Families Can Obtain Additional Academic Resources
- School Website Parent Information

Communication about Student Learning

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Appling County Middle School provides information to parents and the community about their students.

Ways in which you can stay in touch with our school & your child's teachers:

- School / Teacher Web Sites
- Student Handbook (Electronic)
- Infinite Campus Parent Portal
- E-mails, Letters, Notes, Phone Calls
- Newsletters
- After School Tutoring Program
- Remind
- ShoutPoint
- Social Media Accounts
- School Marquee

… a system of excellence for all learners.

2026-2027

Appling County Middle School Grades 6-8 Family-School Compact

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VISION

We will be a school of excellence for all learners.

MISSION

As a school, we are committed to providing a quality education that promotes maximum individual achievement and social responsibility.

BELIEFS

As a school we believe that:

1. All individuals are valued and will be treated with dignity.
2. Quality education addresses individual needs and increases student achievement.
3. Effective teachers are the foundation of quality instruction.
4. High expectations, in an organized environment, are essential for optimal learning.
5. An emotionally and physically safe environment promotes learning.
6. A strong partnership among home, school, and community increases student achievement.
7. Well maintained facilities and equipment, and the use of appropriate technology, enhance the learning environment.
8. Modeling and teaching character values promote responsibility and citizenship.
9. Extracurricular activities promote school and community involvement and personal development.
10. A continuous process of improvement is based on research and best practices.
11. All students have the ability to learn and share responsibility for learning.
12. A variety of assessments will drive instructional decisions.

As always, if you need this compact or any other items translated into another language, please contact the school .

Our Goals for Students

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Appling County Schools District Goals

Appling County School System is committed to providing a quality education that promotes maximum achievement and social responsibility.

Goal 1: By June 2027, overall content mastery in ELA will increase by 3 percentage points, with a focus on closing achievement gaps between identified subgroups.

Goal 2: By June 2027, overall content mastery in math will increase by 3 percentage points, with a focus on closing achievement gaps between identified subgroups.

Appling County Middle School Goals

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ACMS's most current achievement data and formal/informal assessments have been analyzed and goals have been set for the year.

Goal 1: By June 2027, students will show measurable progress in ELA as evidenced by a 3 % growth in content mastery as measured by the Georgia BEACON assessment.

Goal 2: By June 2027 , students will show measurable progress in Math as evidenced by a 3 % growth in content mastery as measured by the Georgia BEACON assessment.

Goal 3: By June 2027, students will show measurable progress in Science as evidenced by a 3 % growth on a teacher created Illuminate Science benchmark.

Goal 4: By June 2027, students will show measurable progress in Social Studies as evidenced by a 3 % growth on a teacher created Illuminate Social Studies benchmark.

Teachers, Parents, Students—Together for Success

ACMS will work together with students and families to promote student success in areas such as writing, reading, math, science, and social studies.

Improving Writing and Written Expression Skills

1B **As a School** - We will model effective writing and provide parents and students with writing resources and rubrics to help improve writing.

2 **As a Parent** - I will review the writing resources and use them to ask questions about my child's writing by speaking with my child or my child's teacher.

3 **As a Student** - I will refer back to my writing resources to help me when I write and speak to others, and I will ask questions when I need guidance with my writing.

Improving Reading Skills

1B **As a School** - We will provide vocabulary and reading skills for students to practice at home, and we will offer a Family Fun Reading/Writing Rally to provide parents with resources the can use to practice vocabulary and reading skills at home.

2 **As a Parent** - I will consider attending the Family Fun Reading Rally and set aside time for my child to read and use the vocabulary and reading resources at home.

3 **As a Student** - I will work with my parent to find time to practice vocabulary and reading skills at home and use the resources I have been given by the school and at the Family Fun Reading Rally.

Improving Math Skills

1B **As a School** - We will provide math resources for students to practice math at home, and we will offer a Family Fun Math Rally to provide parents with resources they can use to practice math skills at home.

2 **As a Parent** - I will consider attending the Family Fun Math Rally and use the resources to help my child practice math skills at home.

3 **As a Student**– I will regularly review my math resources and the math resources on the school's webpage and improve my mathematical skills.

Improving Science & Social Studies Skills

1B **As a School** - We will provide science and social studies resources for students to practice at home, and we will offer Family Fun Rallies to provide parents with resources they can use to practice science and social studies skills at home.

2 **As a Parent** - I will consider attending the Family Fun Rallies and use the resources to help my child practice science and social studies skills at home.

3 **As a Student**– I will regularly review my science and social studies resources and improve my science and social studies skills.